

April TRC Newsletter

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Monthly Focus: Indigenous Organizations



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Resource #1

BCAFN

<https://www.bcafn.ca>

The BC Assembly of First Nations is an organization "...representing and advocating for the 203 First Nations in British Columbia." One pillar of their mandate is to advance the rights and interests of First Nations people in BC. Their website has lots of information about issues affecting First Nations in BC.

Resource #2

FNESC

<http://www.fnesc.ca>

The First Nations Education and Steering Committee is focused on advancing quality education for all First Nations learners. FNESC works at the provincial level by researching, advocating, networking, and more. The FNESC website features a variety of learning and curricular resources.

Resource #3

UBCIC

<https://www.ubcic.bc.ca/>

The Union of British Columbia Indian Chiefs works collaboratively to support Indigenous people at the local, federal and international levels. They are focused on gaining increased recognition of aboriginal rights and respect for Indigenous cultures and societies.

Summary of this month's resources...

This month's newsletter features links to 3 organizations that are working to support and enhance issues affecting Indigenous peoples in Canada. The UBCIC website features a variety of pages, including an informative timeline of colonial impacts after 1700. The FNESC website has a wide variety of learning resources that features First Nations stories, games, and more. The BCAFN website has information about current events affecting nations in BC and their advocacy work in these areas.

Questions to consider:

How familiar are you with the First People's Principles of learning, and the Indigenous aspects of BC's curriculum?

Did you know that there are active land claims lawsuits currently being argued in BC courts?